

C H A P.
XLVII.

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as by the said Law (Relation being thereunto had) more at large doth appear, except the Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, by which the same were intended to pass, alter or change from one to another, were acknowledged and enrolled, as the said Law directs; **Be it hereby Enacted and Declared, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid,** That whatsoever Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, during the Continuance of the said last mentioned Act, were enrolled by virtue thereof, within the Time therein limited, are and shall be taken and adjudged to be effectual in Law, according to the Purport, Intent and Meaning of such Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances enrolled. And if any Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, made during the continuance of that Act, were sealed and delivered, but not enrolled according to the Intent of the said Law; **It is hereby Enacted and Declared,** That nothing has passed by such Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, not enrolled as aforesaid, the Repeal of the said Act notwithstanding.

The Act of
1699, ch. 42,
recited.

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VI. **And whereas** at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the Port of Annapolis, the Twenty-seventh Day of June, and ended the Twenty-second Day of July, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our late Sovereign Lord King William the Third, Anno Domini One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-nine, *An Act for enrolling of Conveyances, and securing the Estates of Purchasers*, was made, whereby, for the better establishing a Way and Method of conveying of Manors, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and for avoiding the Abuses and Deceits by Mortgages, it was Enacted by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the same Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That no Manors, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments whatsoever, within this Province, should pass, alter or change from one to another, whereby the Estate of Inheritance, or Free-hold, or any Estate for above Seven Years, should be made to take Effect, &c. as by the said Act, Relation being thereunto had, more at large doth appear; except the Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, by which the same could be intended to pass, &c. were acknowledged and enrolled, as the Law directs; **Be it hereby Enacted and Declared,** That whatsoever Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, made during the Continuance of the said Law, were enrolled by virtue of the said Law, within the Time therein limited, are, and shall be taken and adjudged to be effectual in Law, according to the Purport, Intent and Meaning of such Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, enrolled. And if any Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, made during the continuance of that Act, were sealed and delivered, but not enrolled according to the Intent of the said Law, **It is hereby Enacted and Declared,** That nothing hath passed by such Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances not enrolled as aforesaid, the Repeal of the said Act notwithstanding.

Method of
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Conveyances
of Lands, &c.
to be made by
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and acknow-
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in the Pro-
vincial or
County
Court, or be-
fore one Pro-
vincial, or
two County
Magistrates
within six
Months after
the Date.

VII. **And** for the better ascertaining a Way and Method for conveying of Manors, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments for the future, and for the avoiding Abuses and Deceits by Mortgages; **Be it Enacted, by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid,** That from and after the Publication hereof, no Manors, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments whatsoever, within this Province, shall pass, alter or change, from one to another, whereby the Estate of Inheritance, or Free-hold, or any Estate for above Seven Years, shall be made or take Effect in any Person or Persons, or any Use thereof to be made, by reason of any Bargain and Sale only, except the Deed or Conveyance, by which the same shall be intended to pass, alter or change the same, be made by Writing indented and sealed, and the same to be * acknowledged in the Provincial Court, or before one Justice thereof, or in the County Court, or before two Justices of the same, where such Manors, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments do lie, and enrolled within Six Months after the Date of such Writing indented as aforesaid. And for the